

New Faces in DERT

The DERT family is growing and changing to keep pace with the rapid developments in the environmental health sciences and technology. Please join us in welcoming our colleagues to their new positions in DERT:

Dennis R. Lang (lang4@niehs.nih.gov) has joined DERT as the new deputy director. Dennis has had a distinguished career in academe, private industry, and government, most recently serving as the director of the enteric diseases program of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

Gwen W. Collman (collman@niehs.nih.gov) is the new chief of the Susceptibility and Population Health Branch (SPHB), which develops and manages programs related to physical, chemical, biological, social, and psychosocial environmental exposures and their impact on individual and population health. Gwen has served as the NIEHS's primary program administrator in epidemiology for more than a decade. In addition to developing programs on breast and prostate cancer, she has actively worked to increase the NIEHS portfolio on issues related to environmental factors affecting the health of special populations.

J. Patrick Mastin (mastin@niehs.nih.gov) is the new chief of the Cellular, Organs, and Systems Pathobiology Branch, which addresses the pathobiology and pathophysiology of environmental diseases and dysfunctions caused or exacerbated by environmental agents and stressors. Pat has served as a scientific review and program administrator at the NIEHS. For the past two years he has overseen the portfolio of grants in pulmonary, cardiovascular, renal, and immune systems toxicology.

To help manage its increased number of grants, DERT has also recently added three new program administrators. The first is **Leslie J. Reinlib** (reinlib@niehs.nih.gov), who joins the SPHB. His responsibilities include serving as the overall coordinator for the Environmental Genome Project and managing a portfolio of grants in molecular carcinogenesis and cellular and genetic toxicology. Les was formerly with the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, where he was a team leader of the Programs for Genomic Applications and helped establish that program as a national resource for future genomics studies as they apply to heart, lung, blood, and sleep disorders.

The second new program administrator is **Elizabeth A. Maull** (maull@niehs.nih.gov), formerly an analyst with the SPHB. Her new responsibilities include managing a portion of both the Breast Cancer and the Environment Research Centers and the Comparative Mouse Genomics Centers Consortium. Before coming to the NIEHS, Liz was with the Air Force, where she represented the Air Force Surgeon General's interest in environmental and occupational health concerns.

The third new program administrator is **David M. Balshaw** (balshaw@niehs.nih.gov), who joins the Center for Risk and Integrated Sciences, which includes the Superfund Basic Research Program and the Toxicogenomics Research Consortium. Here he will be developing a program in systems biology. David also was formerly with the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, where he managed a portfolio that included cardiovascular and proteomics research.



Back row, left to right:
Dennis R. Lang,
J. Patrick Mastin,
David M. Balshaw;
front row, left to right:
Gwen W. Collman,
Elizabeth A. Maull,
Leslie J. Reinlib.

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